

Tribal Infrastructure Fund

Community Master Plan Pueblo of Santo Domingo

Tribal Infrastructure Board

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Problem



- The Santo Domingo Tribe lacks a vision and overall plan to guide the community in meeting their goals and objectives. As a non-gaming tribe, with limited resources, there is a need for more prudent and far sighted planning to allow for practical development. The tribe has many needs and the lack of a reliable revenue source requires more careful thought and consideration.
- The 2010 U.S. Census shows the unemployment rate for Santo Domingo at 23% in comparison to 9.8% and 6.6% for Sandoval County and the State of New Mexico respectively. The per capita income of \$9,980 is 60% below Sandoval County and the state. Chronic conditions such as heart disease, diabetes, stroke and cancer present everyday health challenges. Social ills like alcoholism, domestic violence and bullying are prevalent affecting many households.
- The last Community Plan was drafted in 1964 by the state Planning Office and focused just on Economic Development.



Need



- A comprehensive Community Master Plan that is participatory, community driven, value based and sensitive to culture, history and heritage.
- A Land Use Map to identify current land use patterns to provide data and information to guide future growth.
- A set of priorities to identify funding sources and tribal staff to implement.
- To address dwindling revenues and the economic hardships facing the community and tribal leadership.
- A comprehensive Community Master Plan adopted by the Tribal Council to withstand changes in leadership and staffing.
- A comprehensive CCMP that incorporates all previous planning efforts.



Objectives



- The primary objective of the plan is to actively involve and engage the community in making choices and decisions that will affect the future of their community.
- Study the feasibility of the re-development of the CC Housing site (old industrial site now classified as a Brown Field).
- Review all existing community plans for consistency and conformity within the Community Master Plan framework.
- Develop sketches and schematics drawings to reflect visioning statements and values of the community.
- Complete and adopt a Comprehensive Community Master Plan within 24 months from time of award.
- Identify strategies and actions plans to address economic hardships and limited revenue sources,



Actions



Planning and Community Input

- Schedule community visioning sessions to allow the tribal members to express their ideas and values that are most important to them.
- Draft plan language incorporating ideas that reflect the values of the community.

Mapping, Sketches and Charettes

- Develop sketches and schematics based on community vision and ideas.
- Schedule charette sessions with the community for feedback on visual ideas.
- Purchase computer hardware and software to enhance GIS/GPS capabilities.
- Create mapping repository

Additional Studies

Contract for feasibility and/or marketing study of the industrial site for re-use

Integration

- Review all existing community plans for consistency and conformity with drafted language.
- Resolve inconsistencies.

Final review

Tribal Council reviews and adopts Community Master Plan



Outcomes



- Vision statements developed from Community meetings; Schematics and sketches that depict and reflect the vision statements.
- Adopted short, medium and long term Goals and Objectives as an outcome from the community meetings
- Marketing studies that determine the feasibility of use for the industrial site
- Development and adoption of a Land Use Map.
- A repository of maps
- A list of actions and timetable with designated assigned staff.
- An adopted comprehensive Community Master Plan by the Tribal Council.



Benefits



- Development of an overall framework for the guidance, growth and development of the community.
- It will prioritize projects, set goals, objectives and action items in an effort to address the needs of the present and future community
- It will also show funders, public and private, the tribe's mission and vision for the community and its people.
- It will identify resources that can address specific needs and/or projects.
- An adopted Community Master Plan will withstand the changes in leadership and staff allow development to occur.
- The project will build capacity and benefit the community of Santo Domingo and its 5,000 members by providing a vision and mission.
- The project will benefit the Tribal Council by providing a short-term and long-term vision for the community of Santo Domingo further giving structure and guidance reservation wide.



Costs & Budget



Planning Review and Integration/ Market Studies	\$42,500
Computer Equipment/GIS Hardware and Software	\$27,500
Development of Sketches/Schematic/Charettes	\$30,000
TIF Request	\$100,000
Santo Domingo Match – 2 Year Period	
Planning Department salaries and benefits @25% time	\$83,840
Intermountain West Funders Network	\$ 2,500
Rose Fellow	\$30,080
In-Kind total	\$116,420



Project Quality Control

- The project will be evaluated using two methods. The first is to evaluate and review at three month intervals monitoring the statements of work to measure progress. Record logs of activities will be kept by tribal planning staff. These will coincide with the requisite quarterly reports to the state.
- The second method is to establish benchmarks as progress is made through the planning process. Benchmarks will include successful visioning meetings with adopted vision statements, drafting of Goals and Objectives, adopted sketches or schematic of development proposals, creation of mapping schemes, final draft of the plan and adoption. This method is more task oriented and less sensitive to time.





